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In re application of:  
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Polymers and Enzymatic  
Methods for the  
Production Thereof**

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### Reply

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In Response to the Official Action of May 4, 2005, issued with respect to the above-identified patent application, Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the following Reply comprising Introductory Comments, Amendments to the Claims, and Remarks.

### **Introductory Comments**

This Reply has been formatted in attempted compliance with the revised provisions of 37 CFR 1.121.

No fee, other than those provided for on the accompanying Fee Transmittal Form are believed to be due in order for the timely consideration of this Reply. If, however, the Director determines that such a fee is required, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge any (SMALL Entity) fee required for consideration of this submission to Deposit Account 50-0548.